

Needs Assessment Checklist

Prison Name_____

Prison location (city, state, country)_____

Prison population_____

Stage 1: Consider your prison environment

What type of prison do you work in?	<input type="checkbox"/> Local prison/remand centre <input type="checkbox"/> High security prison <input type="checkbox"/> Youth offender institute <input type="checkbox"/> Women's prison <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____
Who is responsible for commissioning healthcare services in your prison?	<input type="checkbox"/> Health department <input type="checkbox"/> Prison/justice department <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify) _____
What is the size of the prison population?	
What is the throughput of the prison population (i.e. number of new receptions)?	
What is the average length of stay?	
What data are currently collected - i.e. health systems (workforce, finance, organisation), health services (prevention activities, medical care), health outcomes (cases of disease, deaths, routine surveillance of infectious diseases)?	
How are the data used - e.g. shared with local authorities, routine reports produced?	
In what form are the data?	<input type="checkbox"/> Paper based <input type="checkbox"/> Electronic <input type="checkbox"/> Other (please specify) _____
Are the prison information systems connected to those in the community?	

Stage 2: Describe your prison population

What is the gender profile of your prison population?	<input type="checkbox"/> Male <input type="checkbox"/> Female <input type="checkbox"/> Mixed
What is the age profile of the prison population - i.e average age/age range?	
What proportion of the prison population are migrants?	
What proportion of the prison population are known to have a history of injecting drug use (before/in prison)?	
Does the prison have pregnant women?	
What is the average number of births each year in the prison?	

Stage 3: Outline what hepatitis B and C prevention and control services are currently available		
What prevention services are available?	<input type="checkbox"/> Health information (e.g. provision of leaflets) <input type="checkbox"/> HBV vaccination <input type="checkbox"/> Access to clean needles and syringes for injecting drug use <input type="checkbox"/> Opioid agonist treatment (initiation in prison, continuation from community, initiated before release) <input type="checkbox"/> Condom distribution <input type="checkbox"/> None	Others _____ _____ _____ _____ _____
What testing services are available?	<input type="checkbox"/> HBV testing (all offered/opt in/offered to those with risk factors) <input type="checkbox"/> HCV testing (all offered/ opt in/ offered to those with risk factors) <input type="checkbox"/> Liver scanning (i.e access to FibroScan) <input type="checkbox"/> None	Others _____ _____
Who does the testing e.g. prison doctor/nurse?		
What treatment services are available?	<input type="checkbox"/> HBV antiviral therapy <input type="checkbox"/> HCV antiviral therapy <input type="checkbox"/> Referral for HBV treatment upon release <input type="checkbox"/> Referral for HCV treatment upon release <input type="checkbox"/> None	Others _____ _____ _____ _____
How are HBV/HCV treatment services provided (e.g. by prison medical staff, in-reach from specialist doctors, other)	_____ _____	
Describe any routine follow-up of people with HBV (those on treatment and those not receiving treatment)	_____ _____	
Is there linkage to community services upon release (if services are provided in prison)?	<input type="checkbox"/> Needle and syringes <input type="checkbox"/> Opioid agonist treatment <input type="checkbox"/> HBV antiviral therapy <input type="checkbox"/> HCV antiviral therapy <input type="checkbox"/> None	Others _____ _____ _____
Stage 4: Define what services are needed for your prison		
Based on the information collected in stages 1 – 3, what gaps in prevention, testing and treatment services need addressing?	_____ _____ _____ _____	
What resources are needed to fill these gaps (e.g. staffing levels and skills)	_____ _____ _____ _____ _____	